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14	FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA		
15	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	No. 8:24-CR-00132-FWS	
16	Plaintiff,	FOURTH STIPULATION REGARDING REQUEST FOR (1) CONTINUANCE OF	
17	V.	TRIAL DATE AND (2) FINDINGS OF EXCLUDABLE TIME PERIODS PURSUANT	
18	ARTHIT TANJAPATKUL,	TO SPEEDY TRIAL ACT	
19	Defendant.	CURRENT TRIAL DATE: 3/10/2026 PROPOSED TRIAL DATE: 11/3/2026	
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22	Plaintiff United States of America, by and through its counsel		
	of record, the United States Attorney for the Central District of		
23	California and Assistant United States Attorney Thi Hoang Ho, and defendant Arthit Tanjapatkul ("defendant"), both individually and by and through his counsel of record, hereby stipulate as follows:  1. The indictment in this case was filed on November 6, 2024.		
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which the charges in this case were pending on October 10, 2024. The Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3161, originally required that the trial commence on or before January 27, 2025.

- On November 18, 2024, the Court set a trial date of 2. December 31, 2024 and a pretrial conference on December 19, 2024.
- 3. Defendant is released on bond pending trial. The parties estimate that the trial in this matter will last approximately three days.
- 4. The Court has previously continued the trial date in this case from December 31, 2024 to March 10, 2026, and found the interim period to be excluded in computing the time within which the trial must commence, pursuant to the Speedy Trial Act.
- By this stipulation, defendant moves to continue the trial 5. date to November 3, 2026 and the status conference to October 15, 2026. This is the fourth request for a continuance.
- Defendant requests the continuance based upon the following facts, which the parties believe demonstrate good cause to support the appropriate findings under the Speedy Trial Act:
- Defendant is charged with a violation of 18 U.S.C. § 922(o)(1) (Possession of Machineguns) and 18 U.S.C.  $\S\S 225A(1)(5)(B)$ , (b)(2) (Possession of Child Pornography). The government has produced discovery to the defense, including surveillance footage and over 48,000 pages of images, warrants, law enforcement reports, and subpoena returns. In addition, the government has made the child sexual abuse material and other evidence reasonably available for defense counsel's review.
- Due to the nature of the prosecution, including the b. charges in the indictment and the voluminous discovery produced to

defendant, this case is so unusual and so complex that it is unreasonable to expect adequate preparation for pretrial proceedings or for the trial itself within the Speedy Trial Act time limits.

- c. Defense counsel Sara Azari is presently scheduled to be in trial in <u>U.S. vs. Tyler Robert Buchanan</u>, Case No. 2:24-cr-00595-JWH-5, on May 4, 2026, which is estimated to last five days.
- d. Defense counsel Victor Sherman is presently scheduled to be in the following trials:
- i. <u>People v. Thomas</u>, Case No.:SWF2200360, Murrieta Superior Ct., case initiated in 2022, two defendants, obstruction of justice case, set for trial April 1, 2026 and expected to last two weeks, trial has been continued multiple times, however, date is firm and parties expected to go to trial.
- ii. <u>U.S. v. Buchanan</u>, Case No. CR 24-00595-JWH,

  Central District of California, multiple defendant wire fraud case,

  money laundering case, initiated May 2024 and currently set for trial

  on May 4, 2026, and expected to last five days, trial has been

  continued two times and likely to be continued again.
- iii. <u>U.S. v. Lucero</u>, Case No. CR 25-00622-JFW, Central District of California, single-defendant drug conspiracy case, initiated July 14, 2025 and currently set for trial on June 2, 2026 and expected to last five days.
- iv. <u>U.S. v. Valencia</u>, Case No. CR 24-00204-SSS, Central District of California, initiated August 20, 2024, it is a multi-defendant drug conspiracy case, set for trial on July 13, 2026 and expected to last four days. Trial has been continued three times, it is likely the trial will be continued again.

- v. <u>U.S. v. Medina</u>, Case No. CR 25-00931-FWS, Central District of California, multi-defendant wire fraud, money laundering conspiracy case, case initiated November 13, 2025, and currently set for trial October 13, 2026, and expected to last five days, it is likely to be continued.
- vi. Counsel will be out of state from January 24-31, 2026.
- e. In light of the foregoing, counsel for defendant also represents that additional time is necessary to confer with defendant, conduct and complete an independent investigation of the case, conduct and complete additional legal research including for potential pretrial motions, review the discovery and potential evidence in the case, and prepare for trial in the event that a pretrial resolution does not occur. Defense counsel represent that failure to grant the continuance would deny her reasonable time necessary for effective preparation, taking into account the exercise of due diligence.
- f. Defendant believes that failure to grant the continuance will deny him continuity of counsel and adequate representation.
  - g. The government does not object to the continuance.
- h. The requested continuance is not based on congestion of the Court's calendar, lack of diligent preparation on the part of the attorney for the government or the defense, or failure on the part of the attorney for the Government to obtain available witnesses.
- 7. For purposes of computing the date under the Speedy Trial Act by which defendant's trial must commence, the parties agree that

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the time period of March 10, 2026 to November 3, 2026, inclusive,
should be excluded pursuant to 18 U.S.C. §§ 3161(h)(7)(A),
(h)(7)(B)(i),(h)(7)(B)(ii) and (h)(7)(B)(iv) because the delay
results from a continuance granted by the Court at defendant's
request, without government objection, on the basis of the Court's
finding that: (i) the ends of justice served by the continuance
outweigh the best interest of the public and defendant in a speedy
trial; (ii) failure to grant the continuance would be likely to make
a continuation of the proceeding impossible, or result in a
miscarriage of justice; and (iii) failure to grant the continuance
would unreasonably deny defendant continuity of counsel and would
deny defense counsel the reasonable time necessary for effective
preparation, taking into account the exercise of due diligence.
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Nothing in this stipulation shall preclude a finding that 1 8. 2 other provisions of the Speedy Trial Act dictate that additional time 3 periods be excluded from the period within which trial must commence. 4 Moreover, the same provisions and/or other provisions of the Speedy 5 Trial Act may in the future authorize the exclusion of additional 6 time periods from the period within which trial must commence. 7 IT IS SO STIPULATED. 8 Dated: January 9, 2026 Respectfully submitted, 9 TODD BLANCHE Deputy Attorney General 10 BILAL A. ESSAYLI 11 First Assistant United States Attorney 12 ALEXANDER B. SCHWAB 13 Assistant United States Attorney Acting Chief, Criminal Division 14 15 /s/ Thi Hoang Ho THI HOANG HO 16 Assistant United States Attorney 17 Attorneys for Plaintiff UNITED STATES OF AMERICA 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

CERTIFICATION OF DEFENSE COUNSEL

I am Arthit Tanjapatkul's attorney. I have carefully discussed every part of this stipulation and the continuance of the trial date with my client. I have fully informed my client of his Speedy Trial rights. To my knowledge, my client understands those rights and agrees to waive them. I believe that my client's decision to give up the right to be brought to trial earlier than November 3, 2026 is an informed and voluntary one.

/s/ January 9, 2026

SARA AZARI Date

VICTOR SHERMAN

12 Attorneys for Defendant ARTHIT TANJAPATKUL

\*Pursuant to Local Rule 5-4.3.4(2), the filer attests that all signatories listed, and on whose behalf the filing is submitted, concur in the filing's content and have authorized the filing.

## CERTIFICATION OF DEFENDANT

I have read this stipulation and have carefully discussed it with my attorney. I understand my Speedy Trial rights. I voluntarily agree to the continuance of the trial date, and give up my right to be brought to trial earlier than November 3, 2026. I understand that I will be ordered to appear in Courtroom 10D of the United States Courthouse, 411 West 4th Street, Santa Ana, California on October 15, 2026 at 1:30 p.m. for the pretrial conference and November 3, 2026 at 8:00 a.m. for trial.

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